

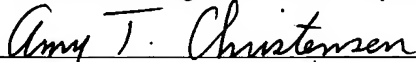


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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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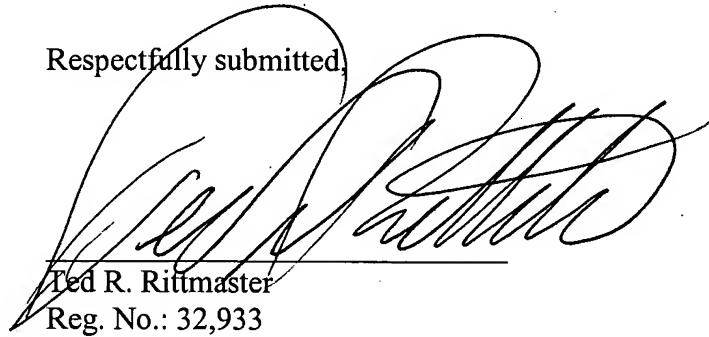
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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,



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		5,571,893	Nov. 5, 1996	Baker et al.			Aug. 5, 1994

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
		WO 95/29237	6 April 1995	Patent Cooperation Treaty				
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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		Article titled, <u>A heart-specific increase in cardiotrophin-1 gene expression precedes the establishment of ventricular hypertrophy in genetically hypertensive rats</u> ; Ishikawa, M.; Journal of Hypertension February 1999 Volume 17, pp. 807-816

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